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In re Application of)
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Serial No. 09/514,113)
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Filed: February 28, 2000)
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For: "METHOD FOR REDUCING ARTIFACTS)
IN NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION")

Group Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Sisson, B.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

NEEDLE & ROSENBERG, P.C.
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September 4, 2001

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 to take action required in the application identified in the caption, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith:

_____	One Month	\$110.00	(\$ 55.00)*
_____	Two Months	\$390.00	(\$195.00)*
<u> X </u>	Three Months	\$890.00	(\$445.00)*
_____	Four Months	\$1,390.00	(\$695.00)*
_____	Five Months	\$1,890.00	(\$945.00)*

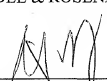
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A check in the amount of \$445.00 is attached. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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